

**Northport Village Corporation
Draft Minutes of the Board of Overseers Meeting
Sunday, December 14, 2025**

Overseers, Officers & Staff present: Diana Eastty (via zoom); Fred Lincoln (via zoom); Vicky Matthews; Kris Mix (via zoom); Elaine Moss (via zoom); Michael Tirrell (via zoom); Jeffrey Wilt (via zoom); President, Janae Novotny (via zoom); Treasurer, Wendy Huntoon (via zoom); Village Agent, Bill Paige; Office Manager, Trish Parker; Maureen (Beanie) Einstein, via zoom.

Public Comment

Dan W. - (670 Shore Road): The Waldo County Budget Hearing was held December 12 at 6 pm. was well attended. The proposed budget is posted on the Towns website.

The Meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.

Opening of Bids for the construction and delivery of a swim float

Action: Jeffrey W. made a motion, seconded by Elaine M., to accept Dark Harbor's bid contingent on the fact that they receive satisfactory references for Dark Harbor Marine. Voted - Six approve; Michael Tirrell abstaining.

Approval of the Minutes of the November 9, 2026 Meeting

Janae N. asked if there were any questions/comments regarding the minutes of the November 9, 2025, Overseer Meeting, which were distributed before the meeting.

Michael T. made a motion, seconded by Vicky M., to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2025 meeting. Voted - Passed with Elaine M. abstaining (Elaine M. did not get a chance to review the minutes).

President's Report - Janae Novotny

Recommendation that the Board of Overseers consistent with the provisions of Article 8 of the 2024 Warrant, vote to carry over to 2026 the balance of revenue in excess at the end of 2025 for improvements to Village infrastructure, including planned maintenance, repairs and operations and other projects not completed or invoiced by December 31, 2025.

Jeffrey W., made a motion, seconded by Vicky W., that the above recommendation be passed. Voted – Unanimous.

Consideration of potential dates for a preliminary 2027 budget development workshop: January 10, 24 or 31, 2026. The Board will hold the preliminary budget workshop on January 24, 2026,, at 10:00 a.m.

Treasurer's Report - Wendy Huntoon

Wendy H. referred the Overseers to her report distributed before the meeting.

Village Agent - Bill Paige

Bill P. referred to his written report distributed before the meeting.

Office Manager's Report - Trish Parker

Trish P. referred the Overseers to her written report distributed before the meeting.

Utilities - Jeffrey Wilt

Jeffrey W. made a motion, seconded by Elaine M., to approve the 2026 Water Budget with a rate increase of 1.5 percent annually. Voted – Unanimous.

Jeffrey W. made a motion, seconded by Vicky M., to pass the 2026 Sewer Budget, which reflects a 6% rate increase of \$22.00 per trimester. Voted – Unanimous.

There were no exceedances in October.

Town Liaison Report - Janae Novotny

The Town of Northport has received \$2.3 million from Congress toward the new Town Office and Community Center.

The Waldo County Commissioners have released their proposed budget for 2026 with an increase of 35%, which is down from the 45% increase.

GWI Pole Placement – Property owners on Prescott Hill Road are concerned by GWI's installation of poles without prior notice or following required procedures. GWI has apologized for its misstep and will look into the possibility of running the fiber underground.

The Town will have a Special Town Meeting on Wednesday, January 21 at Drinkwater School to vote on a proposed Town-owned solar array on Town property at the old sand shed site on 216 Beech Hill Road.

Tree Warden - Vicky Matthews

Vicky M. - Reported on removing the two trees next to Community Hall which was approved at its last meeting. The \$4000 that was approved will be much less than anticipated.

Government - Elaine Moss

Judy M., Dan Webster and Beverly Crofoot will be working to assure that the Utility Ordinance is in alignment with our Zoning Ordinance.

Personnel Committee - Janae Novotny

The job description for a Finance Manager needs to be updated.

Public Comment

Paul Hammond (Griffin Street) thanked the members of the Board and staff for all they do, it is much appreciated.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Einsein, Clerk

Janae Novotny, President

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